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SUBJECT: CIVAIR ATTACHE CONFERENCE, JUNE 4-6, PARIS

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1. BEGIN SUMMARY. PRELIMINARY AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH NATIONAL BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION INDICATE GENERAL FINNISH UNHAPPINESS WITH AIR FARE SITUATION AND POSITION OF REGULAR CARRIERS IN COMPETITION WITH CHARTER OPERATORS. MORE COMPLETE RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL HAS BEEN PROMISED BY END OF MAY. END SUMMARY.

2. ECON COUNSELOR MET WITH KAARLO J. TEMMES AND VELI-MARTII METSALAMPI OF NATIONAL BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION AND INFORMALLY POSED QUESTIONS IN REFTEL. NATIONAL BOARD IS NOW CONSIDERING QUESTIONS AND THEY HAVE PROMISED RESPONSE BY END OF MAY.

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3. ON POINT 1. A. TEMMES WAS NOT SURPRISED WITH CAB
TURNDOWN OF FINNAIR FILING OR DECISION TO APPROVE
STATUS QUO FARES FOR 1973 BUT HE WAS NOT HAPPY WITH
OUTCOME. COMMENTS INDICATED SUPPORT FOR IATA EFFORTS
TO RESOLVE FARE PROBLEM BUT HAD NO SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS.
ON 1. B. TEMMES HAD NO SUGGESTION FOR FARE CHANGES BUT
NOTED THAT FOREIGN EXCHANGE, PRICE AND COST DEVELOPMENTS
MUST BE REFLECTED IN ANY NEW FARE PROPOSAL. HE HAD NO
IDEA OF FINNAIR'S VIEWS ON THIS. ON POINTS 1. C. AND
1. D. TEMMES INDICATED FINNS HAVE TOO LITTLE EXPERIENCE
WITH TGC/ ABC CHARTER TO MAKE ANY MEANINGFUL COMMENTS.
ON POINT 1. E. TEMMES DID NOT FOCUS ATTENTION ON RATE
LEVEL FOR CHARTERS SO MUCH AS IMPACT OF PRESENT SITUATION
OF FARE LEVELS AND LIMITATIONS ON REGULAR CARRIERS
WHICH CREATED DISADVANTAGE FOR LATTER. SAID THAT FOR
REGULAR CARRIERS TO FLY ALONG SIDE OF CHARTER
CARRIERS WITH LESS THAN FULL CAPACITY WAS UNECONOMIC AND
MADE NO SENSE. FELT THAT SOME UNDERSTANDING OR PROCEDURE
SHOULD BE FOUND TO PERMIT REGULAR CARRIERS TO BOOK A
PORTION OF CHARTER BUSINESS ON SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS.
ON POINTS 1. F AND 1. G. WE HAVE NO COMMENTS AS YET.

4. EMBASSY WILL NOT SEND REP TO CIVAIR CONFERENCE
BECAUSE OF LACK OF TRAVEL FUNDS.
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